IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

RTC INDUSTRIES, INC., an Illinois corporation,)) Civil Action No. 14-6459
Plaintiff,) Judge
v.) Magistrate Judge
THE STORE KRAFT MANUFACTURING COMPANY a Nebraska corporation,)) JURY DEMAND)
Defendant.)))

COMPLAINT

The Plaintiff, RTC Industries, Inc., (hereinafter "RTC"), for its Complaint against the Defendant, The Store Kraft Manufacturing Company ("Defendant"), alleges as follows:

THE PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff RTC is an Illinois corporation having its principal place of business at 2800 Golf Road, Rolling Meadows, Illinois 60008. RTC, *inter alia*, makes and sells consumer retail systems. Since its founding in 1951, RTC has consistently advanced the leading edge of retail technology by providing new and innovative solutions to the retail marketplace.
- 2. On information and belief, Defendant The Store Kraft Manufacturing Company is a Nebraska corporation with a principal place of business at 500 Irving Street, Beatrice, Nebraska. Defendant makes, uses and sells wireless interactive consumer video systems, including various kiosk systems that are installed in numerous locations, including at least at Kohl's department stores, and are depicted at http://www.kiosk-sk.com/. On information and

belief, Defendant does business on a regular basis in Illinois and in this District, including making, using, selling and/or offering for sale its wireless interactive consumer video systems in Illinois and this District which infringe RTC's rights under the patent asserted herein.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 3. This is an action for patent infringement arising under the patent laws of the United States, 35 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.*, and particularly 35 U.S.C. §§ 271 and 281. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338(a). Personal jurisdiction over Defendants is proper in this Court.
- 4. Venue is proper in this District in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b)-(c) and § 1400(b).

INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 5,608,449

- 5. On March 4, 1997, the United States Patent and Trademark Office duly and legally issued United States Patent No. 5,608,449 ("the '449 patent") entitled "Wireless Interactive Consumer Video System." RTC is the owner of the '449 patent, by virtue of assignment of all rights, title and interest to the '449 patent. A true and correct copy of the '449 patent is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit A.
- 6. Defendant has been and still is infringing and inducing infringement of the '449 patent by making, using, offering to sell, selling, and/or importing wireless interactive consumer video systems, including, but not limited to kiosk systems installed at Kohl's department stores and depicted at http://www.kiosk-sk.com/, and/or engaging in activities related to wireless interactive consumer video systems that are covered by one or more claims of the '449 patent, and/or inducing others to make, use, offer to sell and/or sell such systems and/or engage in such activities.

- 7. Defendant's acts of infringement have been without express or implied license by RTC, are in violation of RTC's rights, and will continue unless enjoined by this Court.
- 8. RTC sent letters to Defendant on March 10, 2014, and April 4, 2014, offering to provide Defendant a license to the '449 patent.
- 9. Defendant did not take a license at that time and instead requested information from RTC.
- 10. RTC responded to Defendant on April 23, 2014, providing the requested information to Defendant. RTC again offered to provide Defendant a license to the '449 patent.
- 11. Defendant has not taken a license to the '449 patent and Defendant has not notified RTC that its acts of infringement have ceased.
- 12. On information and belief, Defendant's acts of infringement have been willful and with knowledge of the '449 patent and Defendant has continued its infringement in willful disregard of the '449 patent and the rights created thereunder.
- 13. RTC has been and will continue to be irreparably harmed by Defendant's infringement of the '449 patent.

JURY DEMAND

14. RTC demands a jury trial on all issues so triable.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff RTC respectfully prays that:

- A. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §271, this Court enter judgment that Defendant has been and is currently infringing the '449 patent;
- B. This Court Order that Defendant and each of its officers, agents, servants, employees, assigns and successors in interest, those persons in active concert of participation

with it who receive notice of the injunction, and others acting on its behalf, be permanently enjoined from infringing the '449 patent, including through use of the infringing products as well as making, selling or offering for sale the infringing products or engaging in infringing activities;

- C. This Court Order that Defendant notify purchasers and users of the infringing products and activities that the products and activities infringe the '449, and that Defendant recall all infringing products sold or otherwise distributed, and that the Defendant remove the infringing products from all stores where those products have been installed;
- D. Defendant be directed to provide an accounting to determine the damages suffered by RTC as a result of Defendant's infringing conduct, such damages including, but not limited to, RTC's lost profits on sales or offers for sale of the infringing products, and in no event less than a reasonable royalty;
- E. Defendant be directed to pay RTC the amount of damages that RTC has sustained as a result of Defendant's acts of patent infringement, and that such damages be trebled under 35 U.S.C. §284 as a result of any willful infringement of RTC's '449 patent;
- F. This be declared an exceptional case under 35 U.S.C. §285, and RTC be awarded its attorneys' fees;
- G. Defendant be directed to pay RTC an award of pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest, and costs of the suit; and
 - H. RTC be granted such other further relief as the Court may deem proper and just.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 21, 2014 By: /s/ Victoria R. M. Webb

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